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TWO CL

## BRITISH LOSE BATTLESHIP

Russell Sunk by a Mine in  
Mediterranean, War  
Office States

## ABOUT 124 MEN ARE REPORTED MISSING

Admiral Fremantle, 24 Officers and 676  
Men Saved.—Eleventh Battleship  
Which Great Britain Has Lost Dur-  
ing the War.

LONDON, April 28.—The British  
battleship Russell has been sunk by a  
mine. Admiral Fremantle, in command  
of the Russell, 24 officers and 676 men  
were saved. About 124 men from the  
Russell are missing. The warship was  
sunk in the Mediterranean.

The sinking of a German submarine  
off the east coast yesterday also was  
announced officially today. One of-  
ficer and 17 men were taken prisoners.

The Russell was 405 feet long and  
of 14,000 tons. The Russell is the  
eleventh British battleship which has  
been lost during the war. In addition  
about 33 other British warships of var-  
ious classes have been destroyed.

## OPENING DAY FOR EASTERN LEAGUE

New Baseball Association Starts Its  
Race—Weather Conditions Are  
Unfavorable.

BOSTON, April 28.—A new 10-city  
baseball league, the Eastern league,  
opened its season today with Lynn  
scheduled to play at Springfield, Low-  
ell at Bridgeport, Portland at Hart-  
ford, Lawrence at New Haven and  
Worcester at New London. Weather  
conditions made it doubtful whether  
all the opening games could be played.  
The new league comprises the prin-  
cipal strength of two former leagues,  
the Eastern association, which oper-  
ated in western Massachusetts and  
Connecticut and the New England  
league, which had clubs in eastern  
Massachusetts, New Hampshire and  
Maine.

## In Odd Fellows' Temple

Friday night at 7.30—Special meeting  
will be held in the banquet hall of the  
new temple. The first degree will be  
conferred on a class of candidates. The  
anniversary exercises will be held at  
this time, with special music, and re-  
marks by several brothers.

## Dedication of Temple.

The formal dedication of Odd Fel-  
lows' temple will be Tuesday, May 2,  
3.30 p. m.—Dedication ceremony con-  
ducted by Dr. L. C. Holcombe, grand  
master, and suite, assisted by the  
Henschel male quartet of Springfield,  
Mass.; address, E. L. Ingalls, grand  
representative, Burlington, Vt.

7.30 p. m.—Open house.  
All members of the order and their  
families and the lady or gentleman  
friend of unmarried members are cor-  
dially invited.

Wednesday, May 3—The temple will  
be open to the public from 10 a. m. to  
6 p. m. All will be most cordially wel-  
comed.

## First Baptist Church

Tonight at 7—Prudential committee  
meeting; 7.30, prayer meeting of the  
church. Read list John.

## Sunday Services.

10.30 a. m.—Sermon subject, The Gov-  
ernment of Our Life.  
11.45 a. m.—Bible school.  
3.45 p. m.—Junior Christian Endeavor.  
7.30 p. m.—Some Facts of the Resur-  
rection. Alexander hymns, chorus  
choir, Dugan's orchestra. All  
seats free.

## Centre Congregational Church

Friday April 28, 7.30 p. m.—Service  
of praise and prayer, Subject, The  
New and Living Water. John 14:1-6;  
Hebrews 10:1-25.

## EDWARD GONYER

Has been the new addition to  
our staff of experts.  
In the best equipped Barber  
Shop in New England.

## The Brooks House Sanitary Barber Shop

5—EXPERT WORKMEN—5  
Some Shine Artist Here.

## BERNSDORFF FAILS TO GET IGEL PAPERS

Confers with Polk and Makes Formal  
Written Demand for the Seized  
Documents.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Count von  
Bernstorff has made a formal written de-  
mand upon the state department for the  
return of the papers which agents of the  
department of justice seized from Wolf  
von Igel, attaché of the German embassy  
and formerly secretary to Capt. von Pa-  
pen.

The ambassador conferred yesterday  
with Counselor Polk on the matter. The  
conference was described as informal. Ap-  
parently it led to no results, for the am-  
bassador did not get the papers, nor did  
he appear overconfident of getting them  
pending a demand which the German im-  
perial government will later make upon the  
United States. Counselor Polk had prom-  
ised to send the papers to the embassy for  
the ambassador, but there now appears to  
have been a change of plan.

Prior to the ambassador's visit John B.  
Stanchfield, attorney for Von Igel, called  
on Mr. Polk and endeavored to enter into  
negotiations for the return of the docu-  
ments and for an annulment of the order  
which necessitated Von Igel's giving  
\$200,000 bail before his release. Mr. Stan-  
chfield, however, did not get far in the ne-  
gotiations. Counselor Polk informed him  
that the state department must decline to  
discuss any phase of the matter with him.  
The only person who could discuss it with  
the department, it was explained, was the  
German ambassador.

Mr. Stanchfield intended later going to  
the department of justice, but changed his  
mind and is understood to have returned  
to New York. He informed the ambassa-  
dor first of his fruitless visit to the state  
department, and Count von Bernstorff  
took the matter up himself by calling on  
Counselor Polk.

It is understood now that the Von Igel  
papers have been turned over to expert  
translators at the state department. Their  
contents are now available to officials and  
it is understood that copies will be re-  
tained of the more important documents.  
Count von Bernstorff still maintains  
that the papers do not concern him and  
that he cannot identify them, but that  
they were illegally taken from an attaché  
of his embassy and must be returned.

## GERMANY TO TRY TO MEET U. S. DEMANDS

Despatches Received by the Embassy in  
Washington from Berlin Are  
Encouraging.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Despatches  
received at the German embassy today  
from the Berlin foreign office indicate that  
Germany will attempt to meet the Ameri-  
can demands for immediate abandonment  
of its present practices in submarine war-  
fare. The nature of the proposal was not  
disclosed.

Count von Bernstorff has not been ad-  
vised whether the suggestion he recently  
made to his government at the invitation  
of the foreign office, have been adopted.

A visit of Ambassador Gerard to Em-  
peror William was a topic of broad inter-  
est in official and diplomatic quarters to-  
day. German embassy officials believe the  
Emperor invited Mr. Gerard to confer  
with him for the purpose of elaborating  
for the benefit of President Wilson his po-  
sition and that of the German government  
in further explanation of certain phases  
of the forthcoming German reply to the  
American note. It would be unusual for  
the Emperor to conduct negotiations di-  
rectly with diplomatic representatives of a  
foreign government.

## CLOAK AND SUIT LOCKOUT

60,000 Operators Will Be Told Not to  
Report for Work.

NEW YORK, April 28.—Formal no-  
tice of a lockout in the cloak and suit  
industry was given last night by the  
Cloak and Suit Manufacturers Protective  
association. About 60,000  
operators employed in 400 shops in  
Greater New York were notified today  
not to report for work until further  
notice.

In a printed statement which was  
handed to presidents, the employers de-  
clare that because of friction with the  
union they felt it unsafe and unwise  
to begin the new season until this  
condition comes to an end.

In anticipation of the lockout order  
Benjamin Schlessinger, president of  
the International Ladies' Garment  
Workers' union, issued a statement de-  
claring the lockout will be answered  
immediately by a general strike in the  
entire industry.

The employers assert that the lock-  
out is the result of the action of union  
officials in forcing the mayor's coun-  
cil of conciliation which settled the  
strike a year ago to proclaim the closed  
shop in the industry.

## CONDITIONS ARE BAD.

Food Shortage in Mexico City—Villa  
a National Hero.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Condi-  
tions in Mexico city were reported to-  
day to the state department from con-  
fidential sources as "bad from every  
point of view" and that description  
was said to include the capital and the  
immediate surrounding territory.

Food supplies were reported not suf-  
ficient and the railroads are unable at  
present to relieve that condition.

The pursuit of Villa by the Ameri-  
can troops, the advisers say, bids fair  
to make him a hero of national pro-  
portions and has had a natural effect  
upon the Carranza government. The  
financial situation was given as poor.

Consider the bottle fly and the wasp.  
The bottle fly pounds around and  
makes five times as much noise as the  
wasp but doesn't command one-fifth  
as much respect.

## GEN. OBREGON IS IN JUAREZ

Is Waiting for Conference  
with Generals Scott  
and Funston

## CARRANZA TROOPS CHANGE POSITIONS

Purpose of the Movement to Prevent  
Combination of Adherents of Car-  
ranza and Villa Factions Against the  
Americans.

EL PASO, Texas, April 28.—Gen. Alvaro  
Obregon, minister of war of the Mexican  
de facto government, is in Juarez wait-  
ing to confer with Maj. Gen. Scott  
and Funston on the militia questions that  
are involved in the American punitive ex-  
pedition into Mexico.

Gen. Obregon, accompanied by Gen.  
Trevis, military governor of Chihuahua  
City, and other generals, reached Juarez  
on a special train this morning. The third  
section of Gen. Obregon's train, bearing  
Gen. Luis Gutierrez, military governor of  
Chihuahua state, was delayed south of  
Juarez and several passengers were re-  
ported injured. It is not known whether Gen.  
Gutierrez was hurt. Gen. Obregon reached  
Juarez on the second section of the spe-  
cial train.

FIELD HEADQUARTERS, Namiqupa,  
Mexico, wireless to Columbus, N. M., April  
28.—Numbers of Carranza troops which  
had been withdrawn returned today to  
points in the field south of Guerrero. The  
ostensible purpose of this movement, it  
was said, was to prevent a combination of  
the adherents of Carranza and Villa fac-  
tions against the Americans. It was  
known that some agitators have been ex-  
horting the populace of this section to re-  
sist the American troops and Col. George  
A. Dodd recently discovered the sentiment  
of the people to be very bitter.

## SAN ANTONIO, Texas, April 28.—Be- fore leaving for El Paso Gen. Funston ex- pressed a desire to inspect the troops after his conference with Gen. Obregon. He may make the trip if affairs of the south- ern department of the army will permit.

COLUMBUS, N. M., April 28.—March-  
ing orders were received today by approx-  
imately one-half of the number of soldiers  
at stations here. These troops, largely  
cavalry, will probably cross the border  
late this afternoon, to reinforce Gen. Per-  
shing.

It is believed the troops are to be sta-  
tioned along the American line of com-  
munication extending from Columbus to  
San Antonio, Chihuahua, about 325 miles  
south of the frontier.

Military authority said there is no con-  
nection between the despatch of the rein-  
forcements and the reported arrival of  
four trainloads of Carranza soldiers in the  
Guerrero district.

## ACTIVITY AMONG THE WAR VESSELS

Steamship Industry Sunk and Passen-  
gers Left in Open Boats—Swed-  
ish Ship Captured.

BERLIN, April 28, via London.—The  
Admiralty announced today that on the  
night of April 26-28 British naval forces  
destroyed a large British guard vessel on  
Doggerbank and brought in a fishing  
steamer as a prize.

LONDON, April 28.—The Swedish  
steamer J. J. Dickson, bound to Amster-  
dam, was captured and taken to Hamburg  
by the fleet of German warships while  
the fleet was returning from the bombardment  
of the English coast on Tuesday last.

LONDON, April 28.—The British steam-  
ship industry has been sunk by a subma-  
rine which left the crew of the vessel in  
open boats 120 miles from land. The crew  
was picked up by the American liner Fin-  
land. The industry was proceeding to a  
United States port and was unarmed, ac-  
cording to the official statement.

## AUDIENCE WITH KAISER.

Ambassador Gerard and Assistant  
Leave for Army Headquarters.

BERLIN, April 27, via London, April  
28.—James W. Gerard, the American  
ambassador, and Joseph C. Grew, secre-  
tary of the American embassy, left  
Berlin tonight for the German army  
headquarters for an audience with Em-  
peror William.

## POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

Three Men Get Several Hundred Dol-  
lars Today.

BOWDOINHAM, Me., April 28.—  
The postoffice here was wrecked by  
three explosions early today and robbed  
of several hundred dollars in money  
and stamps. The robbery, it is said,  
was committed by three men, who es-  
caped.

## TO THE SELECTMEN OF BRATTLEBORO:

What authority have you for  
granting a license to an exhibition  
of wax works in a vacant store  
within the village limits?

Do you think \$3.00 a week is  
enough to pay for such a license?

What rights does such a license  
confer on the holder?

Is business of this character a  
benefit to other business on the  
street?

Is this exhibition a credit to the  
town and a high moral influence  
among the citizens and school chil-  
dren?

Why should the fee be less than  
that paid to the village by the mov-  
ing picture show?

How did you determine what the  
fee ought to be?

What would you have done about  
it if the exhibitor had refused to  
pay the fee?

What have you got to do about it  
anyway?

If you have got anything to do  
about it, and what you have done is  
the right thing to do, aren't you  
proud of having done it?

Think it over.

## TODAY'S WAR SUMMARY

Another contingent of Russian troops  
has reached Marseilles for service on  
the western front. This makes the  
third contingent whose arrival the  
French military authorities have per-  
mitted to be reported. As in previous  
instances the strength is withheld, but  
news despatches from Marseilles have  
indicated that as many as 250,000  
troops probably would be transferred  
this spring to the Franco-Belgian  
front.

For the first time in many days the  
French official statement mentions no  
notable activity even by the artillery  
in the Verdun region. German efforts  
for the present seem to be directed  
against the British along the line in  
Northern France and Belgium, where  
London last night reported activity  
that seemed to observers there to in-  
dicate that the Germans might be  
about to launch an offensive as deter-  
mined as that directed against Verdun.

Except for some brief comment on  
the troubles in Ireland no despatches  
have come through today dealing with  
the disturbances. It appears evident  
that the censorship is being rigidly  
maintained.

## DONAHUE DIED AFTER DRINKING

Employee of Deerfield Lumber Corpo-  
ration Picked Up by Roadside in  
Adams and Put to Bed.

A man who gave his name when he  
registered in the Graylock hotel, in  
Adams, Mass., Wednesday afternoon  
as P. J. Donahue was found dead in  
bed yesterday noon. Death was pro-  
nounced due to heart disease.

The man had been in the employ of  
the Deerfield Lumber corporation at  
Mountain Mills, near Wilmington, but  
little is known of him there or in Wil-  
mington. So far as known he had no  
relatives in this section of the coun-  
try. He had a small deposit in the  
Wilmington Savings bank.

He was picked up on the Adams-  
North Adams road while asleep and  
taken to Adams, where he immediately  
went to bed. He had been drinking.  
The body was taken to the undertak-  
ing rooms of Peter McBride in Adams  
to await a claimant.

## VICTIM OF STABBING HAS LITTLE FEVER

Slight Infection in Albert G. Vernott's  
Abdominal Wound—Otherwise  
Condition is Satisfactory.

Albert G. Vernott, who was stabbed  
in the abdomen Tuesday morning by  
Frank Geugonis and is a patient in the  
McLure hospital, had a slightly higher  
temperature this morning, indicative of  
probable slight infection. Otherwise  
his condition is very satisfactory.

## ITALY HOLDS COL DI LANA.

Embassy at Washington Denies Report  
of Austrian Gain.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The  
Italian embassy has made public the  
following statement:  
"Since the day when the Kaiserjag-  
gers lost the last summit of the Col di  
Lana and the 200 of them that survived  
the explosion surrendered to our troops,  
a violent fire from the Austrian ar-  
tillery has been concentrated on our  
newly conquered positions. In spite of  
this our troops are firmly holding the  
ground they have won and are repul-  
sing by brilliant charges with the bay-  
onet the desperate attacks of the enemy."

"Seeing that his efforts are without  
avail the enemy now announces that  
Austro-Hungarian troops reoccupied a  
point of support on the ridge north-  
west of the summit of Col di Lana. No  
such point of support exists in the lo-  
cality mentioned and all the summits  
of the Col di Lana are now entirely oc-  
cupied and firmly held by Italian  
troops."

One Paris motion picture plant produces  
an average of 3,000,000 feet of films weekly.

## BUDGETT NEXT YEAR \$60,000

Mission Convention Decides  
on \$8,000 Increase—  
Officers Chosen

## INVITATION FROM NEW HAVEN ACCEPTED

Closing Session of Woman's American  
Foreign Baptist Mission Society—  
Rev. Dr. J. H. Franklin of Boston  
Gives Address.

The annual sessions of the New  
England District of the Woman's  
American Baptist Foreign Missionary  
society, which began in the First Baptist  
church Tuesday afternoon, came  
to a conclusion with highly satisfac-  
tory meetings yesterday afternoon and  
last evening. In the afternoon the  
annual election of officers took place  
and the budget for the year was pre-  
sented and adopted. In the evening  
Rev. J. H. Franklin, D. D., of Boston  
delivered a very interesting address.

The afternoon session yesterday was  
the briefest of the series, being devoted  
solely to the election of officers and the  
transaction of other business and the  
presentation, welcoming and adoption  
of the new missionaries. The election  
of officers was the first business and  
the election was unanimous for the  
recommendations of the nominating  
committee, which were as follows:

The officers elected were: President,  
Mrs. F. E. Crawford, Newton Center,  
Mass.; foreign vice president, Miss  
Ada A. Brigham, Bennington; home  
vice president, Miss Grace T. Colburn,  
Newton Center; recording secretary,  
Mrs. J. D. Phillips, Topsfield, Mass.;  
treasurer, Mrs. F. L. Anderson, Newton  
Center, Mass.; assistant treasurer,  
Miss Anna M. Young, Newton Center;  
executive board, Mrs. E. E. Burnham,  
Concord, N. H.; Mrs. E. R. Champlin,  
Boston, Mrs. W. D. Gooch, Watertown,  
Mass.; Mrs. J. H. Mason, Beverly,  
Mass.; Mrs. F. W. Payne, Hartford,  
Conn.; Mrs. H. H. Pepper, Providence,  
R. I.; Mrs. N. R. Wood, Arlington,  
Mass.; representatives on the national  
board of directors, Miss Ada A. Brig-  
ham, Miss Grace T. Colburn, foreign  
correspondent, Mrs. H. A. Pike, Bos-  
ton; home correspondent, Miss Eliza-  
beth Arrington, Newton Center, Mass.

Three minor changes were made in  
the by-laws, by which the two vice  
presidents became the representatives  
on the national board of directors, an  
assistant treasurer is added and pro-  
vision is made to have six young men  
as associate members on the board. It  
was recommended that \$60,000 be  
the budget of the New England district  
for the coming year and the recom-  
mendation was adopted. An invitation  
from Calvary Baptist church of New  
Haven, Conn., to hold the next annual  
meeting there was accepted.

The committee on resolutions pre-  
sented resolutions in which apprecia-  
tion of and thanks for courtesies and  
favors extended in Brattleboro were  
generally bestowed and specifically  
noted.

Mrs. H. G. Safford presented to the  
meeting the new missionaries who were  
presented at the evening meeting Wed-  
nesday, and each spoke briefly. Miss  
Ethel Boggs of India, in her talk, said  
that she was born in India and lived  
there until 12 years of age, when she  
came to America for her education. She  
told her mother, who is there now as a  
missionary, that she should return to  
take up the work as soon as she had  
completed her education. She has two  
married brothers who are missionaries  
there and a younger brother who is  
studying to be a physician and who will  
go to India as soon as he obtains his  
degree.

Miss Munroe, the retiring foreign  
vice president, who has been active in  
her work at home 14 years and  
who is to go to Japan, was presented a  
large bouquet when she was introduced  
and said that enough had been said  
about her in the last two days to spoil  
two perfectly good missionaries.

The mother of Dr. Clara C. Leach,  
one of the other missionaries, was  
asked to stand and did so. She said  
that she had given all three of her  
daughters to God before they saw the  
light of day and that this one was the  
last. More than one eye was wet as  
the elderly mother resumed her seat.

Mrs. H. A. Henderson, a Burma mis-  
sionary at present in charge of Hase-  
line house, welcomed the new recruits  
to her field and Mrs. H. A. Pike of  
Worcester, Mass., in adopting them  
gave each a motto and congratulated  
them and the society upon their deci-  
sion. The meeting closed with prayer  
by Mrs. H. R. Chamberlin of Boston.

It was voted to send a telegram to  
three women who had been prominent  
in mission work of the society and  
who were prevented by advancing  
years from being present. They are  
Miss Adelaide Pierce of Malden, Mass.,  
Mrs. Alvah Hovey of Newton Center,  
Mass., both former members of the  
board, and Mrs. Edmunds, a former  
president, now in Pasadena, Cal.

Rev. George E. Tompkins presided  
at the evening meeting in place of  
Miss Grace T. Colburn, the home vice  
president for the New England dis-  
trict, who had been called away. The  
address was by Rev. J. H. Franklin,  
D. D., of Boston, secretary of the gen-  
eral missionary society of the Baptist  
church.

## CAVALRY ANNIHILATED.

Turks Claim to Have Slaughtered 800  
British Troopers.

BERLIN, April 28, wireless to Tuck-  
erton.—Turkish troops annihilated four  
British squadrons, about 800 men, in a  
battle April 23, near Quatia, about 25  
miles east of the Suez canal. This in-  
formation was contained in an official  
report issued by the Turkish war de-  
partment under date of April 27.

## THE WEATHER

Overcast Tonight and Saturday—  
Fresh Northwest Winds.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The  
weather forecast: Overcast tonight and  
Saturday. Probably rain on the Maine  
coast tonight. Fresh northwest winds.

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## PRISON ABUSE CHARGE ANSWERED IN BERLIN

British Held in a Camp Gambled Their  
Clothing Away, Says a German  
Newspaper.

BERLIN, April 28.—The semi-offi-  
cial Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung  
has made a further reply, based on of-  
ficial statements, to the British charge  
that prisoners in the Wittenberg camp  
had been neglected during the typhus  
epidemic of last year, not being pro-  
vided with proper clothing, medical  
care, and food and being treated brutal-  
ly by the German guards. The Over-  
seas News Agency's summary of the  
newspaper's statement says:

"The British prisoners were amply  
clad and well fed. If at the beginning  
some of the prisoners lacked clothing, it  
was due to their passion for gambling,  
as they many times put their wearing  
apparel at stake.

"Energetic measures were taken im-  
mediately when typhus broke out. Even  
the chief surgeon of the camp was in-  
fected with the disease. The camp had  
to be isolated, in order to prevent the  
infection from spreading to the neigh-  
boring towns of Wittenberg and Klin-  
wittenberg. Medicine and tonics, such  
as wine and malt, were provided in  
ample quantity to the prisoners. Ac-  
cording to the register, on certain days  
between 2,000 and 2,400 medicaments  
were delivered.

"During the epidemic, which lasted  
from Nov. 1, 1914, to July 22, 1915, 13.5  
per cent of the total number of pris-  
oners were infected with spotted ty-  
phus, and 1.4 per cent died. With chol-  
era, 3 per cent were infected and .13  
per cent died. The newspaper further  
points out that at the beginning of the  
war the physicians were not yet expe-  
rienced in dealing with prisoners as  
they became as the war progressed. Prison-  
ers who now come from the battle-  
fields are cleansed, to insure against the  
presence of vermin, and are put under  
observation in quarantine before being  
allowed to enter prison camps.

"The newspaper in conclusion re-  
calls the poor state of health of Ger-  
man war prisoners in Northern Africa,  
who, it declared, are poorly fed, and in  
this unhealthy climate are forced to  
labor under the supervision of colored  
men. It recalls also the conditions in  
Russian camps, where, it asserts, more  
soldiers have died of hunger and cold  
and epidemics than on the battlefields."

## GIFTS PRESENTED TO MR. SPAULDING

Protective Grange and Dunham Broth-  
ers Co. Employees Express Re-  
gret at His Departure.

A special meeting of Protective  
Grange was held last evening. It took  
the form of a farewell reception to  
the master, Frederick H. Spaulding,  
Jr., who is to leave tomorrow for  
Reading, Pa., where he has taken a  
position. The past masters and others  
expressed appreciation of the work of  
Mr. Spaulding in behalf of the Grange  
and regret at his departure.

District Deputy H. W. Sargent, in  
behalf of the Grange, presented Mr.  
Spaulding a watch chain, and Mr.  
Spaulding feelingly responded. Re-  
freshments of cake and coffee were  
served.

It was voted to postpone the contest  
supper from May 10 to some date to  
be decided upon. Broad Brook Grange  
of Guilford will visit Protective  
Grange Wednesday night and present  
the program. Protective Grange will  
furnish the supper and members are  
asked to donate without further solicita-  
tion.

The men employees of the retail and  
wholesale departments of the Dunham  
Brothers company at the close of the  
day's work yesterday presented Mr.  
Spaulding a handsome leather travel-  
ing bag. Mr. Spaulding was greatly  
surprised, but he responded, expressing  
his thanks to all his associates.

## RETIRING MASTER PRESENTS GIFTS

Brattleboro Lodge of Masons Holds  
Annual Meeting—F. C. Adams  
Presents Square and Compass.

In the annual meeting of Brattle-  
boro lodge, No. 102, F. and A. M., last  
evening these officers were elected: W.  
M., A. Louis Pettee; S. W., Howard  
S. Merrill; J. W., Ralph J. Eldridge;  
treas., Varillus O. Jones; sec., Jesse E.  
Haynes; trustee for three years, Fer-  
ris R. Vaughan; corporator of the  
building association for three years,  
Edward B. Barlow; Frederic C. Adams,  
the retiring worshipful master, pre-  
sented the lodge a square and com-  
pass in memory of his father, the  
late Leroy F. Adams.

## CAVALRY ANNIHILATED.

Turks Claim to Have Slaughtered 800  
British Troopers.

BERLIN, April 28, wireless to Tuck-  
erton.—Turkish troops annihilated four  
British squadrons, about 800 men, in a  
battle April 23, near Quatia, about 25  
miles east of the Suez canal. This in-  
formation was contained in an official  
report issued by the Turkish war de-